

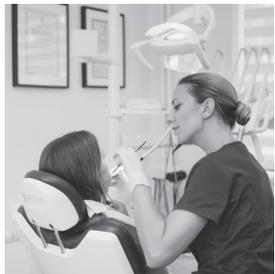
A HIGH-DEMAND DEGREE IS LESS EXPENSIVE THAN YOU THINK!

Do you plan to earn a certificate, diploma, or associate degree to work in one of Iowa's high-demand jobs? Your tuition can be covered. If all other available state and federal financial aid falls short, the Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship is here to fill the gap.

"Future Ready Iowa changes lives by helping Iowans earn credentials that prepare them for rewarding careers. At its core, Future Ready Iowa recognizes that there is dignity in meaningful work, that Iowans yearn for the opportunity to better themselves, and that those opportunities exist right here in Iowa."



—Iowa Governor Kim Reynolds



FUTURE READY IOWA

LAST-DOLLAR SCHOLARSHIP

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WHAT IS FUTURE READY IOWA?

Future Ready Iowa is a plan to train Iowans for 21st-century jobs. The goal is for 70 percent of the state's workforce to have some education or training beyond high school by 2025. The Future Ready Iowa Act of 2018 passed the Iowa House and Iowa Senate with unanimous, bipartisan support.

WHAT ELSE DOES FUTURE READY IOWA OFFER?

In addition to financial aid, Future Ready Iowa provides an online Career Coach, work-based learning programs, and more. Find it all at FutureReadyIowa.gov.



WHAT IS THE LAST-DOLLAR SCHOLARSHIP?

The Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship is one important part of the Future Ready Iowa initiative. Because finances can be a barrier to Iowans who would like to continue education after high school, this scholarship is designed to work with other state and federal programs to completely cover the cost of tuition toward a certificate, diploma, or associate degree in a high-need field. Recipients are also eligible for mentoring support to ensure their college success.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

The Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship is for Iowans who:

- Are new high school graduates enrolling in an eligible program full-time in the fall after graduation or adult learners (20 and older) starting an eligible program at least part-time.
- Plan to earn a certificate, diploma, or associate degree aligned with a designated high-demand job.
- Have applied for all other available aid.

Students who receive the scholarship must attend orientation, meet with an advisor, remain continuously enrolled, and make satisfactory academic progress. You can receive the Last-Dollar Scholarship for up to five full-time semesters or eight part-time semesters. You will need to file the FAFSA to renew the scholarship each year.

WHAT SCHOOLS ARE ELIGIBLE?

You can use the Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship at Iowa community colleges or accredited private colleges in Iowa that offer eligible programs of study and that agree to provide required student services (including orientation, academic advising, and available career advising).

WHAT PROGRAMS ARE ELIGIBLE?

Because the list of eligible programs is based on job demand, it might change from year to year. But don't worry—if your program is removed from the list, you will still be eligible for the Last-Dollar Scholarship until you complete your credential or leave school, as long as you meet all other eligibility criteria. Find a current list of eligible programs, by school, at IowaCollegeAid.gov/LastDollar.

HOW DO I APPLY?

File the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid—see IowaCollegeAid.gov/LastDollar for deadline information). That's it. If you qualify for the Future Ready Iowa Last-Dollar Scholarship, your school will notify you in your award letter.

MORE INFORMATION

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